

TULSA ENTERS ON HER
GREATEST YEAR TODAY
—HELP HER KEEP GOING

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START THE NEW YEAR
RIGHT—
BUY SOME OF THOSE
NEW BABY BONDS

POLES ARE OCCUPYING GERMAN POLAND.

WINNING OF WAR YEAR'S OFFERING

With Country Bending Efforts to Complete Fighting Machine Foe Collapses.

PEACE PROBLEMS TO FORE

Old Year Closes and New One Opens With Question of Demobilization.

REGARD OUTLOOK HOPEFUL

Victory Augurs Well for Return "Business as Usual;" Bradstreet Review.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Bradstreet's review of the business year 1918, with a forecast for 1919, follows in part:

War certainly held the center of the stage in 1918, and the promise of the American executive that "force without limit" would be exerted by this country in the great battle for freedom was brilliantly fulfilled. So immersed were the American people in the conflict that war may be said to have become their chief, indeed almost their only, business. Every energy was bent to the purpose either of fashioning the weapons of warfare or of providing men to use them; of supplying the needs of the fighting forces and of the vastly larger numbers of those who merely aided these forces, the while that supplies of food for our own men and our allies abroad were forthcoming without stint, except where American men, women and children, on the mere request of our government, forebore to eat their normal foods in order that our army and our allies' armies and civilian populations should have enough. Thus it was that ordinary civilian trade took, as it were, a back seat, that many non-warlike occupations were curtailed or entirely suspended, and that every one could feel that whether on the battlefield, in the office, in the factory or on the farm, all were engaged in a common cause and a common end. Then just as the mighty machine that had been built up for war purposes began to function powerfully and victoriously, the enemy's collapse came, and the remainder of the year was given over to the process of demobilizing, the industries single-mindedly devoted to war were directed back to peaceful lines and the process of unhamstringing trade and of reducing prices went forward with as much energy and thoroughness than had the work of dividing peaceful energies to warlike purposes. These readjustments, which at the time of writing are still in process, with the unsettlement inseparable therefrom, and the uncertainty prevailing as to future peace levels, now that the great urge of government buying was removed, gave a quietus to wholesale trade and industry in the closing months, while the influenza epidemic early and natural conservatism bred by displacement of many thousands of workers later, operated to hold down retail trade, which was only partly recovered by an excellent

WEATHER RE. J.R.T.

TULSA, Dec. 31.—Maximum 32° minimum 21° with winds, winds, precipitation .25 to .50 inches.

OKLAHOMA.—Wednesday fair, colder in east portion. Thursday fair, not so cold, with some rain.

LOUISIANA.—Wednesday, rain or snow in north, rain in south, more, much colder, cold wave, freezing to the ground. Thursday, Thursday fair.

ARKANSAS.—Wednesday, fair, colder with cold wave, Thursday fair.

EAST TEXAS.—Wednesday, fair, cold, with cold wave, south and east portions. Thursday, fair.

WEST TEXAS.—Wednesday, fair, colder in southeast portion. Thursday fair, cold, with cold wave.

KANSAS.—Generally fair. Wednesday and Thursday, continued cold.

THE NEW YEAR.

Another chapter in the book of life. For the first with faith and courage high.

Each morning we shall start with Time's keen knife.

The page is white and spotless to the eye.

Some shall complete the chapter, some shall stop.

And each man's narrative for them is told.

Their fingers, once so sure, shall pause, then drop.

The page is not loaned to them to hold.

Few grids Time holds to start our tour.

We are the architects that plan and shape our years.

Man writes the record of his life in books.

(Years are not chapters of the book complete.)

His actions, not his off repeated deeds.

Indeed, each stamp each glistening sheet.

Nothing but empty pages brings the year.

It places no favorites with high or low.

What shall be written when we finish here.

We must determine as the days shall go.

Time has no power the lives of men to bind.

Man is the author of his own success.

Another year to fill with service true!

God grant that we may tell with courage true.

And with the old ideals blend the new.

With another shame nor sin to mar.

May this book match the splendor of the old.

May it relate man's progress to world and man.

And when at last the finished tale is told,

May it proclaim the splendor of the old.

God grant this year with joy and peace shall glow.

And send to all the strength to make

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WIRE BRIEFS.

AMERICANS REJOICE GERMAN ARTILLERY.

By The Associated Press.

COBLENZ, Monday, Dec. 30.—The old-fashioned heavy artillery which is being offered the American army by the Germans will be declined by the allied armistice commission.

HINDENBURG FAVERS ENGLISH OCCUPATION.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—Field Marshal von Hindenburg has telegraphed to German industrial magnates saying that he would support British occupation of Berlin, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Mail under date of Saturday.

**Snow Storm Shortens
New Year Parade but
Fails to Stop Dances**

Tulsa gave the old year a noisy bang-up welcome last midnight. Everyone seemed to breathe easier when 1918 was ushered in, for there was much merriment with more tragedy than any other, and the baby gives promise of being the best in the history of the city.

There was noise a plenty, guns and whistles and bells and automobiles, but the throng which generally has paraded the main thoroughfares at the birth of a new year was much lighter on Friday night, and the celebration was shorter. A real norther with slippery streets and falling snow was responsible. But at the various dances, watch night parties and theaters there was greater numbers than ever before.

No serious accidents had been reported to the police at an early hour this morning.

FOOD RELIEF REACHES SERBS FROM AMERICA

Hoover Announces Arrival of Steamship to Trieste Bearing Supplies to Relieve Civilians.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Arrival at Trieste of the first steamer carrying food supplies for the Serbs and the sending of a special mission to Warsaw to organize food relief in Poland, and another to Vienna to investigate food conditions there were announced in a cablegram received at the food administration today from Herbert C. Hoover at Paris. A commission also has left for Belgrade to take charge of the situation there.

Conditions in Vienna and also in Belgrade were said to be desperate. The Hungarian representatives of the Vienna municipality now at Belgrade, Switzerland, said that food supplies for the 2,000,000 people in the Austrian capital would not last more than 10 days. The Swiss government, the cablegram said, proposed to take charge of the situation there at once at a week's supply for the city.

As to Belgrade, the cablegram said the American and other ministers there had telegraphed that they were convinced that the food supplies would not last more than about 30 days and that immediate steps for relief must be taken if the country is not to be submerged into Bolsheviks.

Colonel McIntosh has already arrived in Trieste, Austria. Colonel Atwood and staff leave tonight for Trieste, en route for Belgrade, leaving representatives at Cattaro and other points.

Dr. Vernon Kellogg, Colonel Grove and Hugh Gibson leave Berlin tonight by special train for Warsaw, by way of Vienna, to take charge of relief measures which it is hoped to develop for Poland.

WILSON IN PARIS ON WAY TO ITALY

President Remains in French Capital Today and Departs for Rome Tonight.

ENGLISH TRIP IS FRUITFUL

Satisfaction Expressed Over Conference and Reception by the English.

ITALIAN PROBLEM SERIOUS

Counter Claims to Territory Are Made by Jugo-Slavs; Reed Speech Read.

PARIS, Dec. 31.—President

Wilson tonight on his arrival here authorized the following statement:

"Upon leaving England President and Mrs. Wilson expressed their very great pleasure at the delightful cordiality of their welcome. The president expressed great satisfaction at finding how closely the purpose and feeling of the people of Great Britain correspond with the purpose and feeling of the people of the United States."

By The Associated Press.

PARIS, Dec. 31.—President Wilson returned to Paris tonight. He will spend New Year's day resting, departing at night for Italy. The president tonight expressed himself as extremely pleased with his reception and the conferences he had in England.

Great interest is manifested among conference delegates and in French political circles in President Wilson's trip to Italy because of the importance of the subject he is expected to discuss there.

Foremost among these subjects is supposed will be questions relative to the Adriatic, Flume and the Dalmatian coast concerning which the Jugo-Slavs to Flume and the Dalmatian coast are founded on their claim to a preponderance of the nations in the populations there. According to the views of the Jugo-Slav leaders the controversy involves the principles of the right of peoples taking care of themselves. This is one of the greatest questions of this kind that President Wilson will be called upon to consider.

Italy's historic claims together with her interest in ample protection along her Adriatic coast will naturally also be considered. Talks by the president and Premier Orlando and Admiral Gabrio d'Adda, an authority on matters pertaining to the Adriatic and Mediterranean, naval forces now occupying the Dalmatian coast, are expected to close up and conclude many of the claims put forward by each side.

Balfour Meets House.

Arthur J. Balfour, the British foreign secretary who had just reached Paris from London, had a long conference today with Col. E. M. House.

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ANOTHER EXPLOSION IN STRIKE AT KANSAS CITY

SHOOTING AND BURNING KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—An explosion in one of the street railway company's car barns in Kansas City, took similar to that which injured seven employees and damaged another of the barns Sunday night, shattered all of the windows in the structure and surrounding buildings. No one was injured. The authorities are investigating the cause of the explosion.

Conferees between the company officials, the federal conciliator, city officials and representatives of the strike tonight apparently had agreed the street car strike which has crippled street car service since December 16, in no nearer to a settlement.

The strike was interrupted yesterday with extreme care," Mr. Parker said. "While I was in London, General Biddle commanding the American forces in England went over with me the details of their fitting out and assured that with the assistance of the British government they had had every advantage paid to them and that they had carefully selected medical personnel accompanied them. The expedition was as complete in every way as human ingenuity could make it when it left for Archangel."

Replies to a question of reinforcements for the Archangel expedition, Mr. Parker indicated that the whole matter still was under consideration by the supreme war council.

The textual copy of the premier speech on Sunday night is now available and gives the following reference on this subject:

"There is an old system which appears to me to be quite good, but which I do not remember. I say it most distinctly, my guiding thought at the moment, if your body permits me to go there, and I believe that nothing should separate after the war the four great powers that the war has united, and that a sentence I will make all sacrifice."

The statement of the French premier is looked upon as foreign to the statement made a few hours later at Manchester by President Wilson when the president said:

"If the future had nothing for us but a right pose by a balance of power, the United States would take no interest because she would join no combination of power which is not a combination of all of us."

Favorable reports on the situation in the Archangel region in Russia, where some unofficial accounts have pictured the north Russian allied American forces as facing destruction at the hands of Bolsheviks, are now coming in from the state department by a Martiusine, representative here of the Archangel government.

It was officially stated that Mr. Martiusine had conferred with Acting Secretary Polk, and that his information showed the situation well beyond the control of Bolsheviks.

According to these reports the Bolsheviks are officers of Germans and consequently able to make good use of their artillery and rapid fire guns but they have no stomach for fighting that does not keep them at a distance from their opponents.

Mr. Polk and his department had no information to bear out the reports referred to in the senate yesterday that American soldiers in the Archangel region were sleeping in swamps and were without proper clothing.

New York, Dec. 31.—Late tonight Thomas C. Tracy, assistant superintendent of the street railway company, was shot and killed while riding on a snow sweeper, one mile held by the authorities, it was said, was that Tracy was killed by a bullet fired by a New York celebrator.

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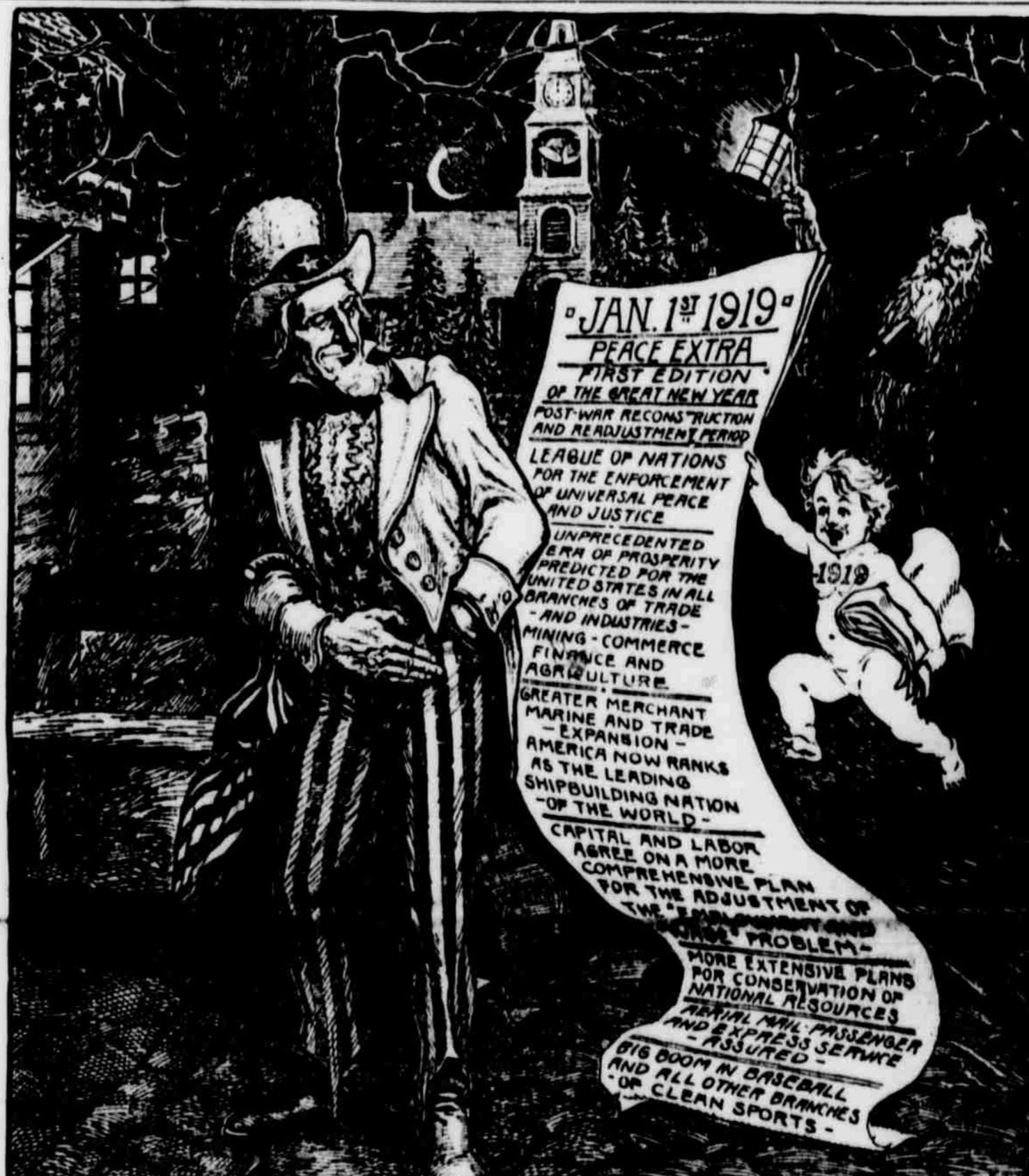
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CLAIMS TROOPS WELL EQUIPPED IN RUSSIA

Baker Replies to Charges That Our Soldiers in Far-off Land Are Not Properly Armed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—American troops operating in Archangel were fitted out in England with special clothing and other equipment to meet the rigors of the Russian winter climate. Secretary Baker said today in discussing statements made in the Senate yesterday that the troops were well equipped.

The troops, he added, were sent to Archangel with extreme care," Mr. Parker said. "While I was in London, General Biddle commanding the American forces in England went over with me the details of their fitting out and assured that with the assistance of the British government they had had every advantage paid to them and that they had carefully selected medical personnel accompanied them. The expedition was as complete in every way as human ingenuity could make it when it left for Archangel."

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